

**Wethersfield Library Board
Minutes of December 4, 2012**

Members present: Joe Aguiar, Dorene Ciarcia, Mary Frazeur, John Gallivan, Ellyn Laramie, George Kelly, Clare Meade, Dan Silver.

Others: Laurel Goodgion, Library Director.

Excused: Ellyn Laramie, Stephanie McKenna

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Clare Meade called the meeting to order at

PUBLIC COMMENT: None .

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY: Clare Meade made the report for the Friends of the Library. Earnings from the Fall book sale came to \$4,563. A Christmas sale has commenced at the Book Nook. 3. Tentative plans have been made for a children's book sale in February, depending on the available stock of books we can sell then. At the request of the Director, the Friends authorized funding for 200 Books for Babies kits to be issued by the library.

TOWN COUNCIL LIAISON: None.

LIBRARY BOARD CHAIRMAN: Clare Meade introduced new Library Board member Joe Aguiar and welcomed him to the Board.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF October 23, 2012.

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the minutes of October 23, 2012.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

Laurel met with the new Courant reporter Chris Hoffma and he wrote the article on *Freading*. Pam, Regina, Alice and Laurel had their first meeting of the year with the school library staff. Two more meetings are scheduled. Ken had a great turnout at the workshop on buying tablet computers. Keane on Kids organization is planning to offer some after school programs for middle schoolers at the community center. Laurel answered questions on the self check service and distributed an article on the importance of library board members.

BOOK DISCUSSION PROPOSAL:

Laurel requested \$600 from the Short-term Funds account to continue the mystery book discussion series in the spring. The amount would cover the cost of four book discussions. Dan would like to see the operating budget for programming increased rather than using the Short-

term funds. He would also like to increase the amount for adult materials budget in the next budget proposal.

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve an expenditure of \$600 from the Short-term funds to cover the cost of four book discussions.

POLICY REVIEW:

Wireless access policy:

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the proposed revision of the Wireless Access policy.

Displays and exhibits policy

Dan requested the part on political displays be retained.

It was moved, seconded and carried to approved the proposed revision to the Displays and Exhibits policy.

Lost and Damaged Materials Replacement Price List

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the proposed revision to the Lost and Damaged Materials Replacement Price List.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee: Discussed timing of draft budget.

Outreach Committee: April is poetry month and there are plans to hold a poetry night for teens at the Library. There are also plans to display art work by the high school's literary magazine students at the Library. Tracy Riordan will be in touch with Laurel.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 7:44 the Board went into executive session for the purpose of discussing union negotiations. At 7:50 the Board came out of executive session.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Gallivan